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Applicant: Nelson Douglas Pitlor
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Examiner: Gwendolyn Baxter
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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Sir:

A statement of the substance of the telephone interview is provided herewith.

Statement of the Substance of the Interview

On July 27, 2004, a telephone interview was conducted between the Applicant's Attorney, Ken Fafrak, and the Examiner, Gwendolyn Baxter. During the interview, claims 22, 30-32 and 67 of the present application were discussed with respect to *Watts* (U.S. Patent No. 4,422,137) and *Koganemaru* (U.S. Patent No. 5,478,256). No amendments were proposed to the claims. While an agreement was not reached with respect to claims 22, 30-32 and 67, the Examiner indicated she would consider the arguments in the Reply to the Final Office Action.

Accordingly, the substance of the interview with respect to the above claims can be found in the Reply to the Office Action dated May 18, 2004, which was filed on August 5, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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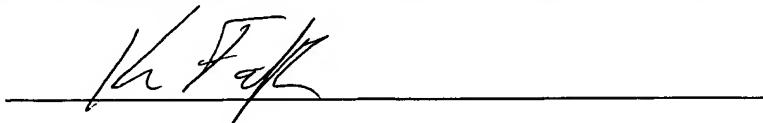
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